REPORT OF HOOD CANAL TELEPHONE CO., INC. UNDER THE WASHINGTON UNIVERSAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES PROGRAM IN COMPLIANCE WITH WAC 480-123-130

June 29, 2018

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1. WAC 480-123-130(1)(a) - Access Lines Served [NECA 1.3 working loops]

January 1, 2017 December 31, 2017

Residential 587 573

Business 211 209

2. WAC 480-123-130(1)(b) - Use of Support

The funds received by the Company from the universal communications services program in calendar year 2017 represent monies that the Company formerly received through the Washington Exchange Carrier Association (WECA) pooling process and the reduction of support under the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Connect America Fund InterCarrier Compensation Fund (CAF ICC) program. As such, the funds from the universal communications services program contributed to defrayal of the ongoing operation and maintenance expenses of the Company. The funds from the universal communications services program are contributing to the Company's ongoing provision of high-quality basic telecommunications service to customers residing in the area the Company serves.

In December 2017, the Company received \$150,518 from the universal service communications program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

During the first six months of 2018, the Company acquired a new broadband router for approximately \$17,000, acquired work equipment tools for approximately \$10,000, acquired central office equipment for approximately \$20,000, installed fiber drops at a cost of approximately \$25,000 and continued to work on fiber-to-the-home projects at a cost of approximately \$82,000. The funds received from the universal communications services program contributed to the Company's ability to acquire these assets and perform these projects.

In addition, the funds received from the program were applied to the repayment of loan funds for other projects completed in the past.

In the second half of 2018, the Company plans to undertake additional fiber-to-the-home projects in the amount of approximately \$136,000, install fiber drop at an estimated cost of approximately \$14,500 and purchase additional central office equipment for approximately \$4,800 and core network broadband upgrades for approximately \$20,000.

3. WAC 480-123-130(1)(c) - Unfilled Consumer Requests for New Basic Telecommunications Service*

None

- * Service requests that are ongoing but still within normal processing times are not counted as unfulfilled.
- 4. WAC 480-123-130(1)(e) FCC Form 477

This form was previously filed on or about March 1, 2017 under Docket UT-180002.

5. WAC 480-123-130(1)(f) - Report on Operational Efficiencies/Business Plan Modifications

The Company continually reviews its operations to determine if efficiencies can be achieved. The Company has a plan in place to concentrate on improving broadband service capabilities while continuing to provide high-quality basic telecommunications service to the customers that are located within the area that the Company serves. The Company plans to continue to install fiber-to-the-home to targeted areas throughout its study area in the coming years. The funds received from the universal communications services program assists in the Company's efforts to obtain operational efficiencies.

6. WAC 480-123-130(1)(g) and (h) - Other information

Not applicable.

Certified Statement as required by WAC 480-123-130(1)(d):

I, Michael Oblizalo, am an officer of Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc., and upon personal knowledge and with responsibility therefore, hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc. materially complied with Commission rules under Chapter 480-120 WAC that are applicable to the Company and its provision of service within the area for which the Company received universal communications services program support.

Signed at Union, Washington this 29 day of June, 2018.

Mike Olevalo
Vice President